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Sri K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Sir, may I know from the Hon. Minister whether these eyes were collected from the dead bodies or some people offered their eyes to be taken after their death?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : Some people who come and get themselves admitted give their willingness to donate their eyes. In case they die, then immediately after their death, their eyes are removed and sent to the Ophthalmic hospital for the special treatment.

Sri K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Is it that the service rendered by the bank is not effective, because we find the number of gifts made is meagre, namely, two?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : It is because our people have very good eye-sight.

Dr. H. V. HANDE : How many eyes were spoiled due to defective storage?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : Nil.

Sri K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Will the Government consider the desirability of starting these eye-banks in all the headquarters hospitals in the districts ? Is there any such proposal?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : There is no such proposal at the moment, Sir.

Sri K. S. ABDUL WAHAB : Will the Government consider it?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : If necessary, Sir.

Grant of loans by the Co-operative Agricultural Banks

* 10 Q.—Sri N. R. THIAGARAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state— 3–30 p.m.

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to issue orders for the grant of loans by the Agricultural Co-operative Banks on the security of jewels to the agriculturists; and

(*b*) if so, the stage at which the matter now stands?

கனம் திரு. என். எஸ். எஸ். மன்றாடியார் : (அ) வேளாண்மைக் கூட்டுறவு பாங்குகளில் அடகு வைக்கப்படும் நகைகளின் மேல் கடன்கள் வழங்க அந்தப் பாங்குகளின் துணை விதிகளில் வகை செய்யப்பட்டுள்ளது.

(இ) இக் கேள்விக்கு இடமில்லை.

திரு. எஸ். கே. சம்பந்தன் : விவசாய பாங்குகளில் கொடுக்கிற கடன்களின் உச்சவரம்பில் நகைகளின் பேரில் கூட கொடுக்கிற கடன்கள் கழிக்கப்படுகிறது. இது அரசாங்கத்திற்குத் தெரியுமா?

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அப்படியிருந்தால், உச்சவரம்பில் சேர்க்காமல், இதர கடன்களோடு சேர்க்காமல் தனியாக அதை கருத அரசாங்கம் உத்தரவு இடுமா?

கனம் திரு. என். எஸ். எஸ். மன்ருடியார்: தனியாகக் கேள்வி போடவேண்டும்.

DR. H. V. HANDE : Do the Government advance loans on the security of 14 ct. gold also?

THE HON. SRI N. S. S. MANRADIAR : I want a separate question.

SRI M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : What is the amount of loan given per sovereign, and how much is a sovereign valued by the Government?

THE HON. SRI N. S. S. MANRADIAR : The value of a sovereign is taken at Rs. 35. That is the Government value.

SRI M. SUBBIAH CHETTIAR : When gold is not available for even Rs. 110 and Rs. 120, will the Government think of raising the limit of valuation put by them?

THE HON. SRI N. S. S. MANRADIAR : The Government do not consider it necessary.

DR. H. V. HANDE : Most of the people now wear only 14 ct. gold jewels. In view of that, will the Hon. Minister say whether they will advance loans on the security of these 14 ct. jewels?

THE HON. SRI N. S. S. MANRADIAR : I want a separate question.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ANNOUNCEMENTS—*cont.*

(2) DECISION OF THE BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MR. CHAIRMAN : At a meeting of the Business Advisory Committee held at 2-30 p.m. today, the following programme of business has been decided :—

		Presentation of the first Supplementary Statement of Expenditure for 1965-66—*cont*.
July 31st	..	**Discussion on the State Electricity Board Budget for 1965-66. Cont.**
August 1st	—	**Holiday—Sunday.**